

**COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION SUMMARY**

**COMPLAINT NUMBER:** 1514.00  
**COMPLAINT INVESTIGATOR:** Bridget Hand  
**DATE OF COMPLAINT:** January 20, 2000  
**DATE OF REPORT:** February 8, 2000  
**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION:** no  
**DATE OF CLOSURE:** March 13, 2000

**COMPLAINT ISSUES:**

Whether the Lakeland School Corporation and the Northeast Indiana Special Education Cooperative violated:

- 511 IAC 7-6-6 with regard to the school's alleged failure to consider a special education student's need for transportation as a related service by enforcing a school policy limiting transportation for preschool and kindergarten students to one way of the roundtrip transportation to school and requiring the parent to arrange for transportation for the other way.

**FINDINGS OF FACT:**

1. The student (the "Student") is a six-year-old, kindergartner, who is eligible for special education and related services due to being mildly mentally handicapped ("MIMH") and having a communication disorder ("CD").
2. The school advises of having no other policy than what is stated in 511 IAC 7-6-6 with regard to transportation for special education students.
3. On August 19, 1999, the Case Conference Committee ("CCC") determined that the Student did not require special transportation. The parent signed a consent for Placement that no special transportation was required.

**CONCLUSION:**

1. Findings of Fact #2 and #3 show that the parent agreed with a CCC determination that special transportation was not required as a related service for the Student. Therefore, no violation of 511 IAC 7-6-6 is found.

**The Department of Education, Division of Special Education requires no corrective action based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusion listed above.**